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Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 15 October 2001.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 1,8 and 16.

Identification of prior art discussed: Middelhoek et al. (US Patent No. 5,216,269).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussions focused upon a proposed amendment, faxed on October 12, 2001. The proposed amendmens raises new issues that would require further consideration. Furthermore, it is considered that the reference Middelhoek et al. does teach the new proposed limitations on col. 13, lines 58-61.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview(if box is checked).

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